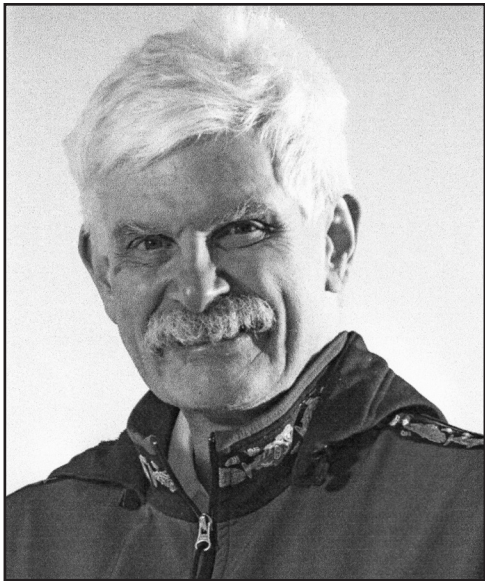


House District 18 Representative

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AGE: 68

PLACE OF BIRTH: Anchorage, Alaska

SPOUSE'S NAME: Theresa Philbrick

CHILDREN'S NAMES: Kevin Groh

OCCUPATION: Lawyer

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 68 years

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:
Anchorage 1954-1981; Juneau 1981-1982; Anchorage 1982-1987; Juneau 1987-1992; Anchorage 1992-2000; Sitka 2000-2006; Anchorage 2006-present

EDUCATION:
West High 1972; Harvard 1976; University of California, Berkeley 1985

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:
Aide to Alaska State Legislature 1981-1982, 1991
Special Assistant to Alaska Commissioner of Revenue 1987-1990
City and Borough Attorney, Sitka, 2000-2005

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Lawyer, 1985-present
Assistant District Attorney, Anchorage, 1985-1987;
1993-1994

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:

Board of Alaska Common Ground 1997-present; Chair 2014-2018

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Skiing, kayaking, volunteering

OTHER:

I'm a lifelong Alaskan, dad, former prosecutor, and co-creator of the Permanent Fund Dividend. I helped create the Dividend while on the Alaska Legislature's staff and was critical to ensuring its passage. While at the Alaska Department of Revenue, I was involved in the adoption of major oil tax legislation which brought \$2 billion in revenue to the state. As a prosecutor, I took child abusers, rapists, and domestic violence offenders off the streets.

STATEMENT:

Constitutionalize the Dividend: The Dividend helps Alaska families and needs a seasoned fighter like me to preserve it. I will work to take the Dividend out of its status as political football and put it in the Alaska Constitution to guarantee a sustainable and rising PFD. We also need to put into the Constitution the Percent of Market Value (POMV) system currently in statute to ensure that the Legislature does not blow all the Permanent Fund earnings in a spree.

Diversify Alaska's state revenues: Alaska's oil production has fallen by more than 75 percent since the late 1980s. Our state's ability to provide quality roads, good schools, and strong public safety remains threatened until we find more revenues to replace oil. I support a moderate increase in oil taxes. I also support a fair broad-based tax on individual residents and non-residents working in Alaska who make more than \$250,000 per year.

Fix the budget: I will continue to search for efficiencies in the budget to help balance it. It is also time to consider a tightened spending cap in the Constitution.

Lower the cost of housing and health care: Rising costs are making Alaska an unlivable state. I'm committed to encouraging more affordable housing development and increasing competition to lower the cost of health care.

Fight for equal rights: I am strongly committed to equal rights for Alaskans. I am proud of my successful defense in federal court of the right to equal housing opportunity for unmarried cohabiting couples.

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